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Says Father Was Agent
For Secret Service

London, Oct. 1 (P)—Harold Philby's son confirmed today that his father had been recruited by the Soviet Secret Service early in the 1930's, years before he joined British intelligence and rose to its top ranks.

Philby, now 55, fled to the Soviet Union four years ago. He was widely believed to have been the "third man" in the case of Donald Burgess and Guy MacLean, the man who tipped off those two British diplomats in Washington in 1951 that Western intelligence had discovered they were Soviet agents. They fled to Moscow.

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The Philby case was spread over the Sunday Times and Sunday Observer as both newspapers claimed to have dug up new evidence of Philby's long role as a double agent. The Times published a picture of Philby in Moscow taken by his son, John, 24.

John told newsmen that he had visited his father in Moscow two weeks ago. Asked if his father had joined the Soviet Secret Service as far back as 1933, as the newspapers claimed, John replied: "That would appear to be so."

He said Philby now is working as a journalist in Moscow.

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